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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend it as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- 1) Kindly replace paragraph 0002 with the following:

[0002] This application is related to U.S. Patent Application
Serial No: 9/798,472, filed March 2, 2001 and titled "A VIRTUAL
REASSEMBLY SEGMENTATION SYSTEM AND METHOD OF OPERATION THEREOF,"

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